Dewan's reply.—There is much truth in this. The representation will be remitted to the Inspector General of Forests and the Deputy Commissioner for report.

Subject No. 259.
Improvement of Hanumantpur Channel.

Summary of discussion.—Hanumantpur Channel passes through several tanks. The tanks are long left unrepaired in spite of several representations and hold little or no water. In seasons when water failed in the channel, help used to be obtained from the storage in certain tanks situated in the kavals in the neighbourhood by breaching them when water was most needed and closing the breaches and storing water in the late rains. This practice is being discontinued. All this causes much suffering to raiyats.

Dewan's reply.—The attention of the Deputy Commissioner and the Chief Engineer will be drawn to this.

Subject No. 260.
Enforcement of Criminal Breach of Contract Act XIII of 1859.

Summary of discussion.—Landholders are put to much inconvenience, because the Criminal Breach of Contract Act XIII of 1859 is not in force here.

Dewan's reply.—It is in force throughout the Province.

Subject No. 261.
Printing of Survey Forms of Village accounts.

Summiary of discussoin.—The survey forms of accounts kept by Shanbhogs should be ordered to be printed.

Dewan's reply.—A good idea. But some private press owner went the round of Districts offering to print those which were most required. Shanbhogs could have availed themselves of the opportunity.

Subject No. 262.
Increase of allotment for Gundlupet feeding Chattram.

Summary of discussion.—A number of Bhairagi pilgrims pass through Gundlupet to visit Himavat Gopalaswami Deity in this Taluk and also Rameswara, &c. An amount of Rs. 18 per month is allotted for feeding in the local Chattram. This amount is very inadequate and hardly sufficient for 10 days in a month. On an average, 20 to 30 pilgrims a day pass through the town and they are put to much inconvenience. The pilgrims who start from Nanjangud have no resting or feeding place on the road till they reach Gundlupet, a distance of 23 miles. Those that come from the south from Masanegudi, &c., have similarly to come to Gundlupet, a distance of 24 miles. Adequate provision should be made for these Bhairagi and other pilgrims. It is learnt that large amounts are year after year shown as Napavati (unexpended balance) in the Chattrams that exist at Bendarvadi, Konnanur and Chamrajnagar. If this Napavati be ordered to be utilized for feeding the pilgrims in Gundlupet, it will gratify the wishes of the Gundlupet people, who though

perfectly willing to help by feeding the pilgrims are unable to do so as they have no paddy crops and the pilgrims will not eat ragi.

Dewan's reply.—Will be considered.

Subject No. 263.
Restriction for grazing in Gundlupet State Forests.

Summary of discussion.—Grazing in State Forests in the Gundlupet Taluk is subject to the same inconveniences as those just represented for Heggaddevankote and grazing land is otherwise not available in the Taluk.

Dewan's reply.—The Deputy Commissioner will be asked to report.

Subject No. 264.
English School needed at Nagamangala.

Summary of discussion.—An English school is much needed at Nagamangala. Kanarese, Hindustani and Sanskrit schools exist. Several boys desirous of learning English have had to go to distant places. There are more like them but they cannot afford to go.

Dewan's reply.—The application will be considered in the Education Department. Government can give a grant-in-aid.

Subject No. 265.
Location of Melkote feeding Chattram at Honnakere during the year except during Vairamudi Jatra.

Summary of discussion.—The feeding Chattram at Melkote should be located at Honnakere during the year excepting for a month in which the Vairamudi Jatra will be held at Melkote. Pilgrims chiefly consisting of Bhairagis and such like are put to much inconvenience as they have to walk the long distance of nearly 23 miles between French Rocks and Nagamangala without any means of being supplied with food or rations on the way. For similar reasons, the Balmuri Chattram has been shifted to Hirod.

Dewan's reply.—Probably the Melkote people will object. The Deputy Commissioner will however be asked.

Subject No. 266.
Grant of Loans to Raiyats from Savings Bank Deposits.

Summary of discussion.—Savings Bank Deposits in Taluk Treasuries should be lent to cultivating raiyats at six per cent interest per annum on the responsibility of the Amildar and on the security of their lands. The Government will thereby be benefited by profit in interest and by increase in cultivation.

Dewan's reply.—There is the Land Improvement Act for the same purpose which has not yet been largely availed of.

Subject No. 267.
Silt dams above large tanks require better attention.

Summary of discussion.—Public Works Department do not sufficiently attend to "neckal ane" (silt dams) which exist in the catchment grounds of large tanks. These are important.